

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for representing header and footer structures in a markup language document, comprising:

determining properties corresponding to a mini-document of at least one section of a word processing application document generated on a word processing application, wherein the mini-document includes a body portion, wherein the mini-document includes at least one member of a group comprising: a header and a footer;

individually mapping the properties of the mini-document into a markup language element that is stored with each of the markup language section properties of the application document, wherein individually mapping the properties includes:

setting an option element in the mini-document markup language element, wherein the option element includes at least one member of a group comprising: a header value and a footer value,

setting a type attribute in the mini-document markup language element, wherein the type attribute includes a value that indicates an occurrence pattern of the body of the mini-document within the application document,

setting page size properties of the application document in the section properties of the application document, wherein the page size properties includes a size value of the page, and

setting a margin properties of the application document in the section properties of the application document, wherein the margin properties include a top margin value, a bottom margin value, a left margin value, a right margin value and a position value of the location of the mini-document within the section of the application document;

storing each of the individually mapped properties of the mini-document in the markup language document;

validating the markup language document in accordance with a native schema of the word processing application having definitions for the mini-document, wherein the definitions for the mini-document include a definition for headers, a definition for footers, a definition for a

context free chunk, a definition for a paragraph element, a definition for a table element and a definition for a mini-document type; and

parsing and rendering the markup language document on an application other than the word processing application, wherein the application other than the word processing application does not have access to the native schema of the word processing application having the definitions of the mini-document,

wherein the individually mapped option element in the section properties causes the rendering of at least one member of a group comprising, a header according to the header value for the section, and a footer according to the footer value for the section,

wherein the individually mapped type attribute in the section properties causes the body portion of the mini-document to be rendered in accordance with the occurrence pattern of the section, wherein the value is at least one member of a group comprising: an odd page value for the section and an even page value for the section,

wherein the individually mapped page size properties for the section causes the page to be rendered according to the size value of the page of the section, and

wherein the individually mapped margin properties for the section causes the rendering of a top margin according to the top margin value, a bottom margin according to the bottom margin value, a left margin according to the left margin value, a right margin according to a right margin value and a mini-document position according to the position value of the location of the mini-document within the section.

2.-5. (Cancelled).

6. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:
determining properties corresponding to an additional mini-document that relates to at least one section of the application document;
mapping the properties of the additional mini-document into a markup language element, wherein mapping includes mapping the properties into at least one member of a group comprising: a context free chunk element and a table element; and

storing the properties of the additional mini-document in the markup language document.

7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:
determining whether properties associated with all mini-documents of the application document have been stored in the markup language document; and
processing further mini-documents when the properties associated with all mini-documents have not been stored in the markup language document.

8. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the properties of the mini-document stored in the markup language document are understood by an application that understands the markup language when the mini-document is not native to the application.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the markup language document is manipulated on a server to substantially reproduce the mini-document of the application document notwithstanding the presence of an application that generated the markup language document.

10. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium for representing headers and footers in a markup language document, comprising:
determining properties relating to a mini-document used within a word-processing document generated on a word-processing application, wherein the mini-document includes a body portion having text;
determining whether the mini-document is at least one member of a group comprising: a header and a footer;
individually writing the properties into each of the section properties markup language elements associated with the word processing document, wherein individually writing the properties includes:

writing an option element in the mini-document markup language element, wherein the option element includes at least one member of a group comprising: a header value and a footer value,

setting a type attribute, wherein the type attribute includes a value that indicates an occurrence pattern of the body of the mini-document within the application document, wherein upon rendering the markup language document, the type attribute causes the body portion of the mini-document to be repeated in the application in accordance with the occurrence pattern, and

setting a margin properties of the application document in the section properties of the application document, wherein the margin properties include a numerical position value of the location of the mini-document within the section of the word-processing document;

storing each of the individually written properties in the markup language document;

validating the markup language document in accordance with a native schema of the word processing application having definitions for the mini-document; and

parsing and rendering the markup language document on an application other than the word processing application, wherein the application other than the word processing application does not have access to the native schema of the word processing application having the definitions of the mini-document, wherein the markup language document is rendered according to the properties individually written to the section properties markup language elements.

11. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 10, wherein the markup language document is manipulated on a server to substantially reproduce the mini-document of the word-processing document notwithstanding the presence of an application that generated the markup language document.

12. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 10, wherein the properties of the mini-document stored in the markup language document are understood by an application that understands the markup language when the mini-document is not native to the application.

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 10, wherein the type attribute corresponds to whether the mini-document occurs on at least one member of a group comprising: odd pages of the specified section of the application document, or even pages of the specified section of the application document.

15. (Cancelled).

16. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 10, further comprising:

determining properties corresponding to an additional mini-document that relates to at least one section of the word-processing document;

mapping the properties of the additional mini-document into a markup language element, wherein mapping includes mapping the properties into at least one member of a group comprising: a context free chunk element and a table element; and

storing the properties of the additional mini-document in the markup language document.

17. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 10, further comprising:

determining whether properties associated with all mini-documents of the word-processing document have been stored in the markup language document; and

processing further mini-documents when the properties associated with all mini-documents have not been stored in the markup language document.

18. (Previously presented) A system for representing header and footer information in a markup language document, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory associated with computer-executable instructions configured to:

determine properties relating to a mini-document included in at least one section of a word processing application document generated on a word processor, wherein the mini-document includes a body portion having text;

determine whether the mini-document is at least one member of a group comprising: a header and a footer;

individually map the properties into a markup language element that is stored with markup language section properties of the sections of the application document, wherein individually mapping the properties includes:

setting an option element in the mini-document markup language element, wherein the option element includes at least one member of a group comprising: a header value and a footer value,

setting a type attribute, wherein the type attribute includes a value that indicates an occurrence pattern of the body of the mini-document within the application document,

setting a margin properties of the application document in the section properties of the application document, wherein the margin properties include a position value of the location of the mini-document within the section of the application document, and

store each of the individually mapped properties in the markup language section properties of the application document;

a validation engine configured to validate the markup language document; and

an application other than the word processing application, wherein the application other than the word processing application does not have access to the native schema of the word processing application having the definitions of the mini-document, wherein the markup

language document is parsed and rendered by the application other than the word processing application according to the properties individually written to the section properties markup language elements.

19. (Previously presented) The system of Claim 18, wherein the word processing application is further configured to:

determine properties corresponding to an additional mini-document that relates to at least one section of the application document;

map the properties of the additional mini-document into a markup language element, wherein mapping includes mapping the properties into at least one member of a group comprising: a context free chunk element and a table element; and

store the properties of the additional mini-document in the markup language document.

20. (Original) The system of Claim 18, wherein the application is further configured to:

determine whether properties associated with all mini-documents of the application document have been stored in the markup language document; and

process further mini-documents when the properties associated with all mini-documents have not been stored in the markup language document.

21. (Previously presented) The system of Claim 18, wherein the properties of the mini-document stored in the markup language document are understood by the application other than the word processing application that understands the markup language when the mini-document is not native to the application other than the word processing application.

22. (Original) The system of Claim 18, wherein the markup language document is manipulated on a server to substantially reproduce the mini-document of the application document notwithstanding the presence of the application that generated the markup language document.